# It's More Than History!

A BROWN BAG LECTURE SERIES
ON BALTIMORE'S HISTORY
AND ITS PERSONALITIES

# **February Events**

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# Harriet Tubman: Freedom's Quest



This American icon, born a slave on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, is credited with numerous successes as an Underground Railroad conductor, Civil War spy and nurse, women's suffragist, and community activist.

**Presenter Denise M. Higgs.** For more than 20 years, Denise has touched audiences of

all ages with her passion for storytelling, laden with historical facts, traditional values, and life lessons.

BLACK HISTORY PRESENTATION

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## Exploring Baltimore's Musical Legacy



Baltimore film collector Stuart Hudgins and Camay Calloway Murphy, daughter of jazz icon Cab Calloway, will show us many of Baltimore's own stars through film and lecture. Murphy will give personal observations on her life with her famous

father, whose life has been documented in the recent biography *Hi de Ho: The Life of Cab Calloway*.

Co-presenters Camay Murphy and Stuart Hudgins.
Camay, active in Baltimore's arts scene for the last 25
years, established the Cab Calloway Jazz Institute at
Coppin State College. Stuart Hudgins is an illustrator,
film archivist, and jazz historian. His more memorable
programs have featured live appearances by such artists
as Cab Calloway, Dr. Billy Taylor, and Wynton Marsalis.

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WHEN

Every Friday Noon – 1 p.m.

#### WHERE

City Hall Board of Estimates Room Second Floor

#### **BRING**

Your favorite brown bag lunch Photo ID for entry

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### Hands and Hearts in Abundance 1814's Defense of Baltimore



In September 1814, the British attacked Baltimore and were countered by a valiant and successful defense. The battle, and the role of Baltimore's citizens—including free and enslaved African Americans—will be

featured in this fascinating presentation exploring the inspiration behind the "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Presenter Vince Vaise. As chief of interpretation at Fort McHenry Historic Shrine and National Monument, Vince is primarily responsible for everything a visitor experiences at the fort, ranging from the exhibits to the film in the new visitor center (opening March 3!).

WAR OF 1812 200th PRESENTATION

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## Mother to Mother:

The Story of Two Baltimore Mary's



Join us for an inspiring story of two women of African decent whose contributions changed the religious and social landscape of Maryland and Baltimore.

Presenter Janice Curtis. Curtis is an accomplished griot (storyteller). She has told African, African American, and multicultural

stories more than 20 years. She is currently the president of the Griots' Circle of Maryland.

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MARCH WOMEN'S HISTORY PRESENTATION

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